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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

## Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

We receive our phone and DSL internet access from a small competitive provider.

Please do not end local internet service competition. We, and other consumers like us, expect you to fulfill your mandate to preserve a healthy and competitive internet service marketplace.

Please serve the consumer rather than large telecom companies.

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